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SOURCE LINES

SPEED LETTER	REPLY REQUESTED		DATE 17 July 1965
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	LETTER NO. MedCru 23
TO : Chief, FOS, Headquarters		FROM: Cruising Monitor, Med Bureau	
ATTN:			
SUBJECT: SOURCE LINES			
<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 20px; margin-bottom: 10px;"></div> <p>I'd appreciate a little help on a couple of sourcelines we have run into in the past few days. Although <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 150px; height: 1.2em; vertical-align: middle;"></span> maintains that the Damascus Arabian Peninsula program is part of the Domestic Service because it is on Domestic Service frequencies, I suggested that calling it part of the International Service would be more accurate since it is announced as beamed "to our Arab brothers in Kuwait, Bahrain, the Arab Gulf, Hadramaut, Aden, Yemen, and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia."</p> <p>The other question deals with Saudi Arabia. One set of transmitters in this country announces as "Riyadh" and so there is no problem with that but the other set of transmitters never used to give any such location so, since we knew studios were in Mecca, we called it Mecca Domestic Service. Now, however, the identification "Jidda" has been inserted into the station announcement (this has been done consistently for the past few weeks). Although I have suggested calling it Jidda Domestic Service, I told the Arab monitors I would get your decision before stopped calling it Mecca Domestic Service.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 20px; margin-top: 10px;"></div>			
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<p>1. Since, to our knowledge, Damascus announced the beam which you quoted in your letter only for the transmission of "The Arab Peninsula Program" on 11905 kcs at 1700-1730 on Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday, and it is broadcast currently on frequencies which are used principally for the Domestic broadcasts, the program should be considered part of the Domestic Service.</p> <p>2. Recent reports indicate that studios are located at the new installations in Jidda and Riyadh. Programs originating at studios at either location can be fed to transmitters at both locations, according to these reports. If station announcements state that programs in the Domestic Service are originating from the studios in Jidda, instead of from studios in Mecca, sourcelines should be changed to: Jidda Domestic Service in Arabic. Does the station still announce as "Mecca Radio" at times?</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 250px; height: 40px; margin-top: 20px;"></div>			

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